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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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☐ Copies of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith.

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☐ In view of the voluminous nature of references [list as appropriate], and the likelihood that

these references are available to the Examiner, copies are not enclosed herewith.

☒ If any of the foregoing publications are not available to the Examiner, Applicant will endeavor to supply copies at the Examiner's request.

☒ There are no listed references which are not in the English language.


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☐ Attached are copies of search report(s) from corresponding patent application(s), which are listed on the attached Submission Under MPEP 609 D.

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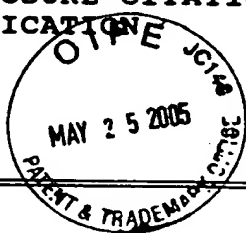
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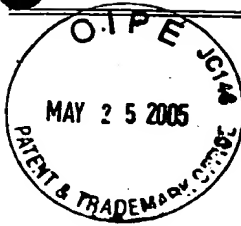
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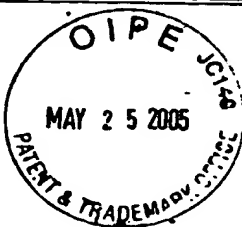
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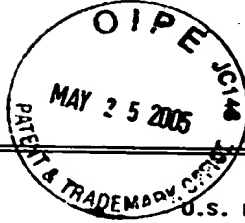
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